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# Satisfied Customers our Chief Aim

## Quiouhamenec Farm

FROM JAMES R. PRINGLE'S HISTORY OF GLOUCESTER
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"Champlain did not round Eastern Point and explore the harbor on this voyage, but made another excursion in the vicinity of what is now Cape Ann in September, 1606, entered the harbor and tarried for a time, effecting necessary repairs to his ship and its accoutrements. He named the harbor Le Beauport, the beautiful harbor, and as far as we have any certain knowledge he was the first white man who trod the shores of Cape Ann.

At that time Cape Ann was the home of a thrifty settlement of Red Men. Champlain drew a map of the place, which was afterwards published with an account of his travels, which was reprinted in Quebec in 1870. The map referred to gives a very graphic pictorial illustration of the topography of what is now the heart of the city. On this map is delineated a few trees, and at frequent intervals wigwams, with smoke issuing from an aperture, occupy the ground. Near each of these habitations is an enclosure, evidently a cornfield.

When Champlain landed the savages had already gathered their harvest. There were some two hundred in number seen by the discoverer, the chief of whom was Quiouhamenec, who, accompanied by Cohonepec, paid Champlain a visit shortly after he came ashore, and they were hospitably entertained by the French voyagers. Onemechin, a Saco chief, also came to see Champlain, and was given a coat, but gave it away because it did not fit him."

#### Landscape Department

We at all times maintain a crew of expert gardeners capable of doing all kinds of pruning, planting and grading.

#### **Tennis Courts**

We have constructed some of the very best Tennis Courts on the North Shore and have their care each season. Let us build, rebuild or prepare your Tennis Court for the season and lay the Tapes.

Land Drainage and Road Work a Specialty.

#### Trees and Shrubs

We can furnish all kinds of trees, shrubs and plants as we have connections with the best nurseries in New England and only handle stock grown by Specialists.

#### Vegetable Department

We have in their season freshly picked vegetables of the highest quality.

We handle only one quality of Goods and that is the Best.

Loam, Sod, Grass Seed, Fertilizers, Manure, Plant Stakes and Window Boxes.

Let us quote you price on Blue Stone Dust for your driveway, walk or tennis court.

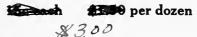
## **Specialties**

Our Hollyhock Delphiniums won the blue ribbon and two Certificates of Merit at the Topsfield Fair in 1929.

This seed was obtained by a summer resident of Bass Rocks in her travels in Europe.

50c each \$5.00 per dozen 6 at dozen rate

The Dianthus Beatri is beyond doubt the best of the Dianthus family and very useful for garden borders and rockery as it is of low growth and bearing a continuous bloom of sweet scented salmon pink flowers.



The Jersey Gem Viola should be in all gardens as it is a constant bloomer from May to the end of the season. The plant is of compact sturdy growth, its flowers pure violet without the slightest shading and borne on good stems about 6 inches long.

#### 15c each

Mesembryanthemum, a lovely little annual; splendid for the rockery, sunny banks, etc., with daisy like flowers of pink. This is known under the various names of ice plant, pickle plant or California pink and is the plant so commonly grown in this section among the rocks.

60c per dozen Flats contain 2 dozen, \$1.00

## Seedlings

All of our Seedlings are raised with the greatest care from selected seed from best growers, twice transplanted into boxes and flats and not dug and wrapped in paper and such but can be kept at your own home and planted out at your leisure.

## All Annual Seedlings, 40c per dozen except otherwise noted

#### **ASTERS**

Crego Giants. A magnificent Aster of the Comet type. Well branched, with long, strong stems and long loose feathery heads, 2 ft. Lavender, Shell-Pink, Mixed.

Heart of France. The best pure Red Aster ever introduced and they retain their brilliancy and lustre for a long period.

#### **AGERATUM BLUE**

Useful for bedding, remaining in bloom from early summer till frost.

#### **ALYSSUM**

A very satisfactory little white annual for edging, bedding and rockwork, blooming all summer.

#### **BACHELOR BUTTONS**

Double blue flowers used as a cut flower.

#### **CALENDULA**

One of the best blooming annuals and for cutting. Lemon, Orange, Mixed.

#### **CALLIOPSIS**

Showy and free-flowering, excellent for cutting and massing. Colors range from yellow, dark crimson and garnet. 1 to 2 ft.

#### **CELOSIA**

**Plumed Cockscomb** grows 2 ft. having graceful feathery plumes. Golden Yellow, Scarlet, Crimson, Carmine.

#### **CARNATIONS**

Marguerites Carnations flower profusely in summer and autumn for their delicious fragrance and richness of colors should be in the garden. Grows 18 inches. Mixed.

#### CHRYSANTHEMUMS OR PAINTED DAISIES

Showy single-flowering annual (growing about 2 ft. high) bearing a daisy-like flower. Fine for cutting as stems are stiff. Mixed.

#### **COSMOS**

The feathery foliage makes a desirable background for other plants. The dainty flowers poised on long, slender stems, ideal for cutting. Plants set 18 inches apart in rows or in masses in beds. Do well almost anywhere but prefer a rather light, not too rich a soil. 3 to 4 ft. Pink, White, Mixed.

#### In Boxes containing 1-2 dozen, 40c

#### CYNOGLOSSUM (Chinese Forget-me-not)

Flowers resemble forget-me-nots; of the easiest culture. 18 to 24 inches high, producing sprays of intense blue flowers.

#### **EVERLASTINGS** (Strawflowers)

Grown especially to dry for decoration purposes during the winter months. When blooms are partly open, cut, take off all or part foliage, tie in small bunches and hang head downwards in a dark, dry place. Plant 12 inches apart.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. Fireball, Rose, Salmon, Yellow, Mixed.

#### **LARKSPUR**

Victory Variety of branching habit covered with bright blue flowers blooming until frost. Good for cutting. 18 inches.

#### **MARIGOLDS**

African and French varieties are old garden favorites for garden display during the summer and autumn months. African varieties produce large, self-colored blossoms. The French varieties have smaller flowers shades of yellow and brown.

African. Lemon, Orange, Mixed 3 ft.

Tall Double French. Mixed 2 ft.

Dwarf French. Mixed 1 ft.

#### **PETUNIAS**

For its decorative effect in the garden and window boxes the petunia with its wealth of coloring, blooming until killed by frost, is of the greatest value. For best results set plants about 1 foot apart, and preferably give a sunny position.

## All Petunias except Rosy Morn, 75c per dozen Flats containing 2 dozen, \$1.25

Blue Petunias. Silky Blue.

Giant Pink Glory. Pure Flame Rose Pink.

Ruffled Monsters Double. Mixed.

Large Double Frilled. Mixed. This type one of the best. The edges of the petals are heavily frilled; flowers of good size.

Double Rose Pink. Frilled.

Ruffled Monster. Mixed.

**Theodosia.** Deep, Rose Pink. Medium size, with edges heavily frilled.

#### **PETUNIAS**

Rosy Morn

Per dozen, 60c

#### PHLOX DRUMMONDI

When grown in masses beds or borders making a brilliant display. The flowers are of long duration. Pink, Mixed. 1 ft.

#### **SALPIGLOSSIS**

Attractive funnel-shaped flowers penciled and veined in rich shades of yellow, crimson and purple. Splendid for cutting. For best results set plants not closer than 12 inches. Mixed.

#### SALVIA BLUE

Long flower-spikes of lavender-blue. Splendid for cutting. 2 to 3 ft.

#### **SCABIOSA**

(Mourning Bride or Pin Cushion Flower) an old garden favorite of easy cultivation. Valuable for cutting; butterflies and bees find the sweet flowers most attractive. Plants given plenty of room, seed pods picked off, will keep on flowering all summer until hard frost. 1 to 2 ft. Black, Light Blue, Lilac, Pink, White, Mixed.

#### **SNAPDRAGON**

The bright colors and continuous-blooming qualities entitle them to a place in the garden. Planted 9 inches apart, pinching out the tops making a bushy plant. Tall varieties 2 ft. Intermediate 15 to 18 inches.

Tall Intermediate

Rose Pink Black Prince. Very deep crimson; dark

leaves.

Deep Crimson Old Rose. Soft blush-pink.

Deep Pink Bronze Queen. Bronzy buff-scarlet

Yellow Golden Queen. Pure Yellow.

Mixed Mixed

#### **VERBENA**

A most popular annual, growing low, forming a carpet of green foliage with trusses of bright flowers until frost. Also used for window boxes. 1 ft. Giant Blue, Pink, Scarlet, White, Mixed.

#### ZINNIA

The Zinnia (Youth and Old Age). One of the most brilliant, showy, satisfactory favorites, not only for garden decoration, but also for cutting. Flower early in summer and continue blooming until frost. Canary Bird Yellow, Old Rose, Rose Oriole, Orange and Gold, Scarlet Flame, Scarlet, Salmon, Rich Salmony Rose, Mixed.

## **Bedding Plants**

#### **BEGONIAS**

Semperflorens, Dwarf Vernon and fine bedding and window box sort, with rich red flowers and glossy bronze red foliage. Pink blossom.

Potted, 35c each \$3.50 per dozen
GERANIUM

Appleblossom. (Semi-double.) Pink.

Ann Vincent. (Semi-double.) Bright Pink.

La Favorite. (Double.) White, continuous bloomer.

Ricard. (Semi-double.) Bright Vermillion-Scarlet.

**S. A. Nutt.** (Double.) Dark Red Crimson, free flowering. Stands the sun best of any.

Poitevine. (Semi-double.) Light Salmon-Pink.

Orange King. (Single.) Free blooming.

All Geraniums 35c each \$3.50 per dozen

Rose Scented. The old-fashioned variety.

30c each \$3.00 per dozen

#### HELIOTROPE

Great favorites on account of their fragrance.

30c each \$3.00 per dozen

#### LEMON VERBENA

Fragrant foliage

25c each \$2.50 per dozen

#### **FUCHSIA**

White with Red Center. Red with Purple Center.

30c each \$3.00 per dozen

#### **LANTANA**

Excellent bedding plant constantly in bloom with verbenalike heads of Orange, White, Rose and other colored flowers.

Potted, \$2.00 per dozen

## Bedding Plants (Continued)

#### **LOBELIA**

Forms compact bushes about 4 inches and a profusion of dark blue flowers. Desirable for edgings and garden decoration.

#### Flats, 40c per dozen

#### **SALVIA**

Scarlet sage plants of bushy habit in late summer and fall covered with blooms of brightest scarlet.

Potted, \$2.00 per dozen Flats, 1 dozen, 75c

#### **VINCA**

Leaves variegated green and white, trailing and used for vases and window boxes.

30c each \$3.00 per dozen

#### **GERMAN IVY**

Trailing green leaves, rapid grower for vases and window boxes.

25c each \$2.50 per dozen

#### **PANSIES**

Our Pansies are grown from seed selected for us by one of the best private gardeners on the North Shore.

5c each 50c dozen

English Daisies and Forget-me-nots

5c each

#### GLADIOLUS Exhibition Mixture

Made up of a large number of very choice Kunderd, Diener, and many other varieties of superior merit. Splendid for a gorgeous garden display or flowers for cutting.

\$5.00 hundred

\$2.50 for fifty

75c dozen

#### TOMATO PLANTS

Bonney Best. Our own selected seed. John Baer. Stone.

Visit our farm during the coming season and see how we grow and select our seed.

40c per dozen. Prices on larger quantities on request.

# Dianthus Beatrix

(HARDY GARDEN PINK)



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## Dianthus "Beatrix"

The Dianthus "Beatrix" is without doubt the outstanding hardy perennial plant that has been introduced in recent years not only for general planting but more especially for borders and rockeries, being a very rapid grower, free bloomer and very hardy and will withstand a very large amount of abuse, and is deserving of a place in every garden. It can also be used as a pot plant in a cool greenhouse.

It is a form of Dianthus latifolius with very dark green foliage, and the flowers which are of a light salmon pink color are very double and each about one and one-half inches in diameter, borne in dense clusters, forming in late May and June such a mass of pink it seems as if one could walk on top of them and if kept picked will continue to bloom throughout the season, in fact the flowers used in the accompanying cut were picked in November after several very heavy frosts.

The flowers are borne on stems from nine to twelve inches, are very fragrant and will remain fresh and bright for more than a week.

Stock is limited and orders will be filled in rotation.

Plants are grown in pots and can be shipped at any time of the year. All stock "Federal Inspected."

Plants in  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch pots, \$3 per 12; \$20 per 100;  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inch pots, \$4 per 12; \$30 per 100; plus Parcel Post. Packing Free.

Extract from "Horticulture"—January 15, 1931 issue

#### THE NOVELTIES OF 1931

A hardy garden pink of merit is the dianthus Beatrix. Its blooms which appear in Spring and again in early August are very double and about one and one-quarter inches across. Their fragrance is exquisite and their color distinct. being light salmon pink. The plants themselves are compact and very hardy. This is an excellent plant for rock gardens.

## Hollyhock Delphiniums

Our Hollyhock Delphiniums are grown for seed either selected with the greatest care from our own stock or from imported seed of highest quality.

We won the blue ribbon and two Certificates of Merit when shown at the Topsfield Fair.

50 cts. each

\$5.00 dozen

6 at dozen rate

## Mesembryanthemum or Ice Plant

is a lovely little annual; splendid for the rockery, sunny banks, etc.; with daisy-like pink flowers. Very useful for filling vacant spots either in new gardens or those that are formed by the dying off of older plants.

75 cts. per doz.

Plus Parcel Post

Packing Free

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## VIGORO Specially prepared plant food

## A valuable general fertilizer, good for house-plants, lawns, flowers, vegetables, shrubs and trees

Vigoro is easily applied and each package contains full directions on how to use it.

100 lbs.	\$6.00
<b>50</b> "	3.75
25 "	2.00
5 "	.60
12 oz.	.10



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As we have made a study of fertilizers for years we would gladly give you any information that we can on this subject.